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ATTENTION:COMM. ATT. BATEMAN"QUITO

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TAGS:BEXP, BFOL, EC

SUBJECT:LAW REGULATING THE USE OF AEROSOL PREPARATIONS

REF:QUITO 1787, 1011

1. USDOC REGRETS DELAY IN RESPONDING TO REFTELS. AT  
PRESENT THERE ARE NO USG REGULATIONS AFFECTING THE USE OR  
MANUFACTURE OF AEROSOL PREPARATIONS IN THE U.S. HOWEVER,  
POSTS SHOULD BE AWARE OF FOLLOWING :

A) USG IS CONSIDERING THE REGULATION OF AEROSOL PREPARA-  
TIONS CONTAINING CHLOROFLUOROCARBONS (CFM'S) AS PROPELLANTS.

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B) THE INTENT IS TO REDUCE THE RELEASE OF CFM'S INTO THE  
ATMOSPHERE TO PROTECT THE STRATOSPHERIC OZONE LAYER AND  
NOT TO BAN AEROSOLS AS A CLASS OF CONSUMER PRODUCTS.

C) THE PROPOSED REGULATIONS, WHICH ARE DUE AT THE END OF  
APRIL, 1977, COVER THE PHASE-OUT OF ALL BUT ESSENTIAL  
USES OF CFM'S AS PROPELLANTS.

D) REGULATION DOES NOT COVER THE USE OF CFM'S AS THE SOLVENT OR PRODUCT PHASE OF AEROSOLS. THESE USES WILL BE CONSIDERED IN A SECOND PHASE OF CFM REGULATION LATER THIS YEAR.

E) COPY OF PROPOSED EPA, FDA, AND CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION REGULATIONS WILL BE FORWARDED WHEN ISSUED IN LATE APRIL.

F) THE USE OF CARBON DIOXIDE AND/OR HYDROCARBONS AS SUBSTITUTE PROPELLANTS FOR CFM'S IS BEING ENCOURAGED AS USG POLICY.  
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